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Edward Kamau Brathwaite Will Read At Library on Tuesday, October 5

West Indies poet Edward Kamau Brathwaite will read from his work in the Library's Coolidge Auditorium on Tuesday, October 5. The reading will begin at 8 p.m., and no tickets are required.

Mr. Brathwaite was born in 1930 in Bridgetown, Barbados, and attended Harrison College there. He received a bachelor of arts degree in 1953 from Pembroke College, Cambridge, a diploma of education in 1954, and was awarded a Ph. D. degree in 1968 from the University of Sussex for his work on the development of Creole society in Jamaica, 1770–1820. He served as education officer in Ghana from 1955 to 1962 and has taught since 1962 at the University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica, where he was recently appointed the first professor of social and cultural history.

He was the recipient of an Arts Council of Great Britain grant in 1967, the Cholmondeley Award for *Islands* in 1970, and a Guggenheim fellowship in 1972. He is the author of *Rights of Passage* (1967), *Masks* (1968), and *Islands* (1969). The three were later published together as *The Arrivants: A New World Trilogy* in 1973.

Mr. Brathwaite's poems have been published in magazines, anthologies, and collections. He has also published plays, short stories, works of criticism, and history books, including Longman's secondary school series, *The People Who Came*, of which he is the editor. Cofounder with John LaRose and Andrew Salkey of the Caribbean Artists' Movement in London in the 1960s, he has also been a creative coeditor of two well-known Caribbean literary journals, *BIM* and *Savacou*.

China Specialists Study LC's Automation Practices

Two specialists from the National Library of China, who arrived in Washington, D.C., on June 10 for an extended advanced studies

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program at the Library of Congress and other U.S. libraries, were greeted upon their arrival by Deputy Librarian of Congress William J. Welsh, pictured opposite wearing a cap he acquired in the People's Republic of China. The two, Liu Guangwei, deputy head of the Western Languages Section, and Sun Peixin, deputy head of the Computer Section, are studying the development and status of automated operations at the Library of Congress during their stay of more than five months.

Ms. Liu is focusing on the Library's general experiences during the transformation of traditional, manual cataloging practices to the current automated system in place. Ms. Sun is concentrating on a detailed and comprehensive study of MARC and of other computer applications to library processes. The two are therefore spending most of their time in Processing Services and in the Automated Systems Office.

Arrangements for the visit were concluded between the two national libraries in accordance with provisions covering cultural exchanges for 1982 and 1983 signed in September 1981 by the Governments of the United States and China. These arrangements, however, are based on an earlier agreement to exchange library materials and staff arrived at by Mr. Welsh and Liu Jiping, then director of the National Library of China, in 1979. Support from the Council on Library Resources, Inc., made implementation of the agreement possible.

Following their stay in Washington, D.C., and before returning to Beijing in December, Ms. Liu and Ms. Sun will visit selected research libraries and network centers, with scheduling assistance to be provided by the U.S. International Communication Agency.

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Ms. Sun, Mr. Welsh, and Ms. Liu

News in the Library World

Register of Copyrights Addresses ABA

Speaking before the annual convention of the American Bar Association in San Francisco, Calif., on August 10, Register of Copyrights David Ladd criticized the notion that economic harm should serve as a basis for copyright protection. In a speech entitled "A Trojan Horse in Copyright," Mr. Ladd pointed out that the courts appear to be demanding that creators demonstrate economic losses in order to justify protection under U.S. copyright law. He emphasized that such demands presented a real danger to the role of copyright as a principal mechanism for fostering intellectual activity.

"Underlying the 'economic harm' theory of copyright is a more sinister point-of-view: the idea that copyright is mere privilege," he said. "But . . . it is an instrument of right, around which not only the creation, but the production and distribution of creative works are offered, for acceptance or rejection, by the public."

Mr. Ladd referred to the Court of Claims opinion in the *Williams and Wilkins* case, the lower court opinion in the *Betamax* case, and the testimony in recent congressional hearings as areas where battle lines have been drawn around the fourth statutory criterion of fair use—the effect of the use upon the potential market for or value of the copyrighted work. He reminded the audience that the value of a copyrighted work and its potential market were two very

separate concepts which "must neither be confused nor merged into a kind of general economic impact analysis."

He emphasized that there are at least two types of harm to consider: current damages and potential losses, both difficult to prove. He noted that the objective of the 1976 copyright law was to avoid unanticipated future erosions of authors' rights, as had occurred under the 1909 act.

This objective, he explained, was eloquently described in the 1965 *Annual Report of the Register of Copyrights:* "A real danger to be guarded against is that of confining the scope of an author's rights on the basis of the present technology so that, as the years go by, his copyright loses much of its value because of unforeseen technical advances.

"To posit, in any sense," he said, "a finding of fair use in the absence of demonstrable present damages is to do nothing less than deprive copyright of any future life."

He concluded by saying, "The strains on copyright are great. For the most part, they originate in rapid change in technology and in the order of markets. But the strains are doctrinal and ideological also, and in the preservation of the honored institution of copyright, already tested and vindicated by time, we must be resolute in turning back false doctrine and specious policy."

At the ABA convention, Mr. Ladd also discussed current developments in copyright and changes in office procedures.

Masaharu Ueki Dies in Tokyo

Librarian Masaharu Ueki of the National Diet Library of Japan died after a brief illness on July 9 in a Tokyo hospital. He was 58 years old. Official funeral ceremonies were scheduled to be held on July 26 at Zōjōji temple in Tokyo.

Mr. Ueki, the seventh librarian to head the National Diet Library since it was established in 1948, was appointed to that post in April 1981 (see the May 8, 1981, LC *Information Bulletin,* pp. 159–60). Graduated in 1946 from Chūō University in Tokyo, he began his long civil service career in the House of Councillors, the upper chamber of the National Diet. In 1977, he became secretary general of that chamber, a post he held until his appointment as librarian.

Mr. Ueki visited the Library of Congress on July 8 of last year. While here, he conferred with Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin, Deputy Librarian William J. Welsh, Gilbert Gude, Director of the Congressional Research Service, and many others (see the LC *Information Bulletin* for August 14, 1981, p. 267).

Alphonse Trezza Joins FSU Library School

Alphonse F. Trezza, director of the Intergovernmental Library Cooperation Project, Library of Congress, has been appointed associate professor at the School of Library and Information Studies of Florida State University. He joined the faculty in August.

Mr. Trezza served as the second executive director of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) during its period of major growth and at the time of the first White House Conference on Library and Information Services. Before joining NCLIS, Mr. Trezza was director of Illinois State Library. He has also served the American Library Association as associate executive director, as executive secretary of the Library Administration Division, and as Catholic Library Association's executive secretary in 1956–60.

Mr. Trezza has taught at the Catholic University of America, Texas Woman's University, Drexel University, and the University of Illinois in their respective graduate library science facilities. At Florida State University, Mr. Trezza will assume responsibility for the current public library program of instruction and for the development of additional courses and programs encompassing the state library agency and the public library, larger units of service, and so forth.

Correction

The name of Daniel J. Aaron was inadvertently misspelled in the July 9 issue of the LC *Information Bulletin* (p. 202). Mr. Aaron visited the Library in May to present to The Librarian the first volumes in the series, Library of America, of which he is the publisher. The editor regrets the error.

APPENDIX

Reports on the Annual Conference of the American Library Association
Philadelphia, Pa., July 10–15, 1982

Membership and Council

Membership I

President Elizabeth Stone presided over the first Membership meeting, held on July 12 from 8 to 10 p.m. A slide-tape program outlined the work of the National Library Week Committee, in honor of its 25th anniversary, and ALA Award winners were announced.

Executive director Robert Wedgeworth presented the State of the Association message. In addition to outlining the many achievements of ALA during 1982, Mr. Wedgeworth spoke on ALA's current fiscal situation, which he characterized as stemming from the dual mission set for ALA at its founding: to be both practical and educational. Expenses resulting from activities the association is obligated to pursue (basic membership costs), added to rising expenses for program activities which the association should undertake, have resulted in a projected deficit of $178,000 for 1982–83. Stating that the association has already reduced operational and administrative costs as much as possible, Mr. Wedgeworth reluctantly suggested that the association must now look to reducing program costs. To this end, the Committee on Program Evaluation and Support (COPES) and a staff planning group suggested budget cuts resulting in a savings of $300,000. Included in this proposal was the elimination of the Office for Library Outreach Services and the Office for Library Research. Mr. Wedgeworth made it clear that the current financial situation did not result from the Huron Plaza building project. After considerable discussion on the floor, Membership voted to support the continuation of both of these programs, an action which was also supported by Council.

Membership also passed a resolution in support of the right of Chicago Public Library employees to hold an election to determine whether or not they wish to be represented by a collective bargaining organization. ALA was directed to send letters to Major Jane Byrne and the members of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library informing them of ALA's policy on collective bargaining and urging them to allow such an election. [*Judy C. McDermott*]

Membership II

The early arrivals who were on time or nearly so for the scheduled 8 a.m. opening of Membership II on Wednesday, July 14, numbered fewer than 50, and, since a quorum of 200 is required to do business, it was necessary to wait for a sufficient number of members to arrive. As the ranks increased, ALA president Elizabeth Stone, from time to time announced the current total of members present, and cheers and applause greeted member number 200, who entered Pennsylvania Hall at the Philadelphia Civic Center at 8:52 a.m. The meeting was opened immediately.

The membership approved the following resolutions:

—to direct the executive board to solve ALA's fiscal problems in a manner permitting the continuance of the ALA Office for Research;

—that ALA alert its members, the public, Members of Congress, and the President to the mounting threat to access to information needed for the fulfillment of the democratic process and to a pattern of restricting access to Government information, as evinced by curtailment of executive agencies' publications, difficulties in obtaining statistical information, restrictions on rights of the news media and of former Government employees to write or speak critically of Government activities, threatened closing of 23 Government Printing Office bookstores, severe budget cuts for the National Archives and Records Service, Government refusal to publish research it disagrees with or to let the researchers publish it elsewhere, and the Public Printer's policy of not issuing for public sale Government documents expected to yield revenues of less than $1,000 in a year (passed without opposition);

—that libraries make available information about nuclear arms and the movement for a nuclear moratorium;

—that ALA reaffirm its support of the Equal Rights Amendment and that it take no action about the relocation of Midwinter meetings to Chicago until Midwinter 1983 (passed 186–176);

—that ALA support librarians of New York State whose jobs remain in the state's classified Civil Service in their efforts to remove their jobs from the Civil Service; and

—that the ALA Washington office closely monitor current bills—S. 2372 and H.R. 6455—that seek to deny Federal funds to agencies which perform, reimburse, or refer for abortions, since it might hinder the access to abortion information that libraries and

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STAFF NEWS

Robert Davis Is New Chief of Acquisitions and Processing

Robert A. Davis has been named the chief of the Acquisitions and Processing Division of the Copyright Office, effective August 23. Mr. Davis comes to his new job from the position of assistant to the director for acquisitions and overseas operations, Processing Services.

Mr. Davis earned both a bachelor of arts degree and a master's degree in library science from the University of Washington in Seattle, where he graduated summa cum laude. He joined the staff of the Library of Congress in 1969 as a descriptive cataloger in the Shared Cataloging Division and left the Library in October 1970 to work as a Slavic cataloger at Harvard College Library. He returned to the Library of Congress in March 1974 to become assistant head of the Slavic Languages Section in the Shared Cataloging Division.

Robert A. Davis

In June 1975, Mr. Davis was named to his most recent position in the Office of the Director for Acquisitions and Overseas Operations, where he assisted in the administration of the Library's acquisitions programs. There and elsewhere in the Library, he has participated in planning and implementing the automation of acquisition functions as well as of bibliographic controls. While on detail to the Planning Office, he helped draft a preservation plan involving the automated bibliographic control of microforms. In the Copyright Office, he will be assisting with the changeover to fully automated tracking of copyright registration applications.

Mr. Davis has served on the Library's Acquisitions Committee and is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the D.C. Public Library.

When not busy with his work, Mr. Davis can be found devising programs for his home microcomputer—or enjoying music.

Clara Shackleford Retires

Clara Shackleford, elevator operator foreman, retired on August 20 after almost 23 years of Federal service. She joined the Library as a custodial worker in the Buildings Management Division in 1949 and remained there until her resignation in 1953. Mrs. Shackleford was reemployed in the division in 1964 and promoted to elevator operator in 1967. In 1977, she was promoted to elevator operator foreman and received another promotion in 1979.

During her tenure as an elevator operator foreman, Mrs. Shackleford performed admirably by assuring adequate coverage and efficient service of the passenger elevators in the Thomas Jefferson Building and the freight elevator in the John Adams Building. In addition, she and her staff provided check attendant services at the various special events held at the Library.

Mrs. Shackleford was honored by her friends and family at a buffet dinner at the Flagship Restaurant. She was presented with various gifts in recognition of her retirement.

Sylvia Cook Earns 20-Year Pin

Sylvia L. Cook, a senior investigator in the Card Control Unit of the Cataloging Distribution Service, was presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin by David G. Remington, chief of the division, on August 6.

Also attending the ceremony were Ernest C. Hedges, head of the Card Distribution Section; Louis H. Berube, assistant section head; William E. Ford and Louise T. Gwynn, supervisor and assistant supervisor of the Card Control Unit, respectively.

Mrs. Cook began her Federal Service with the General Services Administration in August 1962. In 1966, she transferred to the U.S. Department of Human Services (formerly Health, Education, and Welfare), where she worked for several months.

Mrs. Cook began her Library service in November 1966 as a card reprint clerk in the Card Control Unit, Cataloging Distribution Service (formerly Card Division). She transferred to Serial Record Division as an accessioner in February 1974 and, in November 1974, she was promoted to the position of card reprint clerk reviser in CDS.

Mrs. Cook, who received two quality increases in October 1975 and in January 1978 for outstanding job performance, was promoted to her current position on July 3, 1978.

Library Credit Union Lowers Interest Rates

In response to recent general decreases in interest rates, the Board of Directors of the Library of Congress Federal Credit Union has announced, effective immediately, the following reduction of interest rates:

New Automobile Loans: 100 percent financing at a 14 percent annual percentage rate (APR), reduced from a 15½ APR;

Unsecured loans: 15 percent annual percentage rate, reduced from a 16 APR;

Home Improvement Loans: 15 annual percentage rate with maximum repayment of 60 months, reduced from a 16 APR, or a 16 annual percentage rate with a maximum repayment of 120 months, reduced from a 17 APR.

These reduced rates will be available through October 22 or until $600,000 is loaned to qualified borrowers. There are restrictions on refinancing of current loans, and members should consult the Credit Union for details.

Credit Union manager Jim Mitchell said, "The reduced interest rates are by far the lowest in town, especially those for financing new automobiles. It is not unusual to hear members quoting interest rates as high as 21 percent, and, if you want credit life insurance, you must pay the premiums. The Credit Union provides credit life insurance at no cost to the borrower."

Credit Union members wishing to purchase All Savers Certificates may do so until December 31. Under the Tax Reform Act of 1981, a single tax payer may earn up to $1,000, and joint return filers may earn up to $2,000 of one-time, tax-exempt income. The current All Savers Certificate interest rate is 8.15 percent. To accumulate $1,000 of interest a single person would have to deposit $12,270, and joint return depositers would have to deposit $24,540 to earn $2,000.

After adjusting for the tax benefit, an 8.15 percent investment for a person or joint filer at a 39 percent marginal tax bracket would be equivalent to a yield of 13.36 percent. For a 49 percent marginal tax bracket, the equivalent yield would be 15.98 percent.

Credit Union members wishing to take advantage of the tax deferral and savings benefits of Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) for 1982 may do so until April 15, 1983, or until they submit their 1982 tax return, whichever comes sooner. The Credit Union's IRA program has been the most successful among credit unions in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. To date over 255 members have enrolled, depositing more than $330,000 through direct deposit or payroll deduction. Interest rates for IRAs are set each calendar quarter. To date, they have earned 13.5 percent for the first quarter and 14 percent for the second quarter.

One-year Share Certificates for denominations of $2,000 or more are available at the Credit Union at interest rates which range from 8 to 9½ percent. Details of the certificate program are available in the Credit Union office.

Membership in the Credit Union is open to all Library of Congress employees and their families. Deposits are insured up to $100,000 by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, an agency of the U.S. Government.

The Credit Union is located in room 634 of the Madison Building. Its office hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily and from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on paydays. The Credit Union's telephone number is ext. 75852.

Employee Contributions Sought for LCPA/WRA Arts and Crafts Show

All Library employees are invited to submit original art works for display in the 11th annual Library of Congress Staff Arts and Crafts Exhibit. The show, cosponsored by the Library of Congress Professional Association and the Welfare and Recreation Association, has become a popular tradition since its first display in 1970. This year's exhibit will be on view on the sixth floor of the Madison Building in the red/blue corridor from December 12 through January 11, 1983.

Each staff member may enter a maximum of two items for consideration for inclusion in the show. The exhibit will include works in various categories of the visual arts, including photography and crafts.

LCPA Book Sale Rescheduled

The 11th annual Library of Congress Professional Association Book Sale, originally set for September 16, has been rescheduled for Wednesday, September 29. The sale will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The location of the sale has also been changed. The sale will now take place in room G124 of the Jefferson Building (in the room on the ground floor formerly occupied by the Personnel Operations Office).

LCPA will continue to collect donations for the sale up to September 29. Books, magazines, records, and prints may be brought to room G124 between 12 noon and 12:30 p.m. every workday.

The first hour of the sale, 9 to 10 a.m., will be open only to those LC employees who have donated material to the sale. Members of LCPA will be granted admittance from 10 a.m. to noon. Beginning at noon and continuing to 4 p.m., the sale is open to the entire staff and the public.

Falling outside the scope of the exhibition are works produced from preexisting patterns, kits, or molds, clothing, and works displayed in previous employee shows. All two-dimensional works must be sturdily framed with secure hanging apparatus attached. Matted works must be mounted, preferably under plexiglass.

The joint LCPA/WRA Staff Arts and Crafts Exhibit is being coordinated by Andrea Gruhl of the Exchange and Gift Division, representing LCPA, and Charles Jackson of the Congressional Reference Division, representing WRA. Other staff assisting in this joint effort are Carolyn Margolis, Exhibits Office; Joy Mills, Manuscript Division; John Henry Hass, Educational Liaison Office, and Lloyd Shipley, National Referral Center.

Staff members interested in submitting items for the exhibit should contact Mrs. Gruhl on ext. 79493 or Mr. Jackson on ext. 78959 to obtain guidelines and entry forms. Art works should be submitted and registered between September 13 and 28 at a room to be designated.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Rita Byrnes, research analyst, GS–9, FRD, 10329; Jest Cunningham, laborer, WG–3, Bldgs, M111E; Gail Dubrow, Cataloging in Publication publisher liaison, GS–6, CIP, 20274; Khin Htway, descriptive cataloger, GS–9, Desc Cat, 20249; William Kniep, deck attendant (trainee), GS–3, Ser, G106A; Excell Lineberger, property and supply clerk, GT–4, Photodup, 20377; William Olson, research analyst, GS–11, FRD, 10327; Shirley Robinson, payroll clerk, GS–4, FMO, 20440; James Walker, FEDLINK computer programmer/analyst, GS–11, FLC, 20374; Ruby Woodard, assistant to the public services coordinator, GT–6, M/B/RS, 20246.

Temporary Appointments: Faith Fullwood, library aid, GS–1, Ser, NP; Miriam Goldberg, economic analyst, GS–5, CRS E, NP; Judith Rosewell, library aid, GS–1, Res, NP; Laurine Tuleja, analyst in science and technology, GS–5, CRS SPR, NP.

Temporary Reappointments: John Monahan, Jr., library assistant, GS–5, M/B/RS, NP; Janice Smith, file clerk, GS–2, OGC, NP.

Promotions: Lorenzo Cheek, CS, to laborer, WG–3, Bldgs, M111D; Byron Colvin, ALM, to employee development assistant (typing), GS–6, Trng, 20344; Vanessa Douglas, NLS/BPH, to supply clerk (typing), GS–4, P&S, 20424; Dennis Hawkes, Preserv, to team leader for book services, GS–7, Col Mgmt, 20414; Robert Hubbard, to laborer, WG–3, Bldgs, M111D; Denise McCray, to paralegal specialist, GS–9, Pers, 20445; Ronald Roache II, to team leader for book services, GS–7, Col Mgmt, 20414; Merrily Smith, to conservator (paper), GS–11, Preserv, 20419.

Transfers: Jo Blanchard, Cop Cat, to cataloger, GS–9, Share Cat, 20281; Vicki Wulff, Cop Cat, to reference librarian, GS–9, Res, 20338.

Resignations: Kristal Abbott, OGC; Michael Bobrove, CIP; Dorothy Bond, Trng; Margaret Brown, CMP; Gerald Cady, FRD; Jami Coombs, Pers Opns; Peter Culver, CRS MAS; Stephen Dresner, Sci; Amy Dunkleberger, M/B/RS; Roberta Goldblatt, Eur; Reva Greenstein, Subj Cat; Stacy Gregory, E&G; Wava Gregory, Proc; Walter Hahn, Jr., CRS S; Jill

Horak, Ser Rec; Aphrodite Keil, Share Cat; Lucinda Leonard, FLC; Patrick Murphy, CRS EPW; Judith O'Sullivan, Center; Gary Reynolds, Ser; Laurie Sabo, Cop Inf & Ref; Frederick White, Jr., FMO; Mark Zoole, Proc Desc Pol.

Activities of Present and Former Staff Members

John P. Comaromi, chief of the Decimal Classification Division, gave several all-day workshops sponsored by the Forest Press (publisher of the DDC), on Edition 19 of the *Dewey Decimal Classification* in June and August. The cosponsors, dates, and locations of the workshops included the Illinois Library Association, June 10, Parkland College, Champaign, Ill., and June 11, Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, Ill.; the Division of Continuing Education of Western Michigan University, August 23, Kalamazoo, Mich.; and the National Library of Canada, August 26, the library in Hull, Québec. **Julianne Beall,** classification specialist in the Decimal Classification Division, assisted in the Hull workshop. Mr. Comaromi also gave a brief paper on projected changes in the DDC at a meeting of the Classification and Subject Cataloguing Section of the International Federation of Library Associations in Montréal on August 25.

Francis S. Wagner, a former cataloger in the Subject Cataloging Division, is the author of an article entitled "Nagy Károly levelezese az American Philosophical Society Könyvtárában" [Charles Nagy's Correspondence Housed in the American Philosophical Society Library] that appeared in the 1981 issue of *Technikatörténeti Szemle* [Review of the History of Technology], an annual publication of the National Museum of Technology, Budapest.

Birth Announcement

William and Mattye Laverne Page are the parents of a son, William Croxton, born April 19. Dr. Page is a veterinarian and Mrs. Page is an area specialist in the African Section, African and Middle Eastern Division.

information centers might provide, and that ALA work vigorously for the defeat of the proposed legislation.

This last resolution was strongly supported and two proposed amendments that would have allowed efforts to cease if it were made clear that libraries were not threatened were overwhelmingly defeated.

The membership did not approve a resolution that directed that the staff of the Office of Intellectual Freedom not be reduced in number, since it was argued that, even with cuts, the positions of the director and one staff member would remain.

Ralph Shaw announced that the Scarecrow Press award would be suspended, because it penalized Scarecrow Press authors. The award will be turned to another purpose, to be announced at the 1983 Midwinter Meeting.

Executive director Robert Wedgeworth announced that at 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 13, official registration at the conference was 12,819 including 3,636 exhibitors. The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m. [*Suzy Platt*]

Council I

Council I of the 1982 Annual Conference of the American Library Association was called to order on Sunday, July 11, by Elizabeth W. Stone, president of the association. The rules of order were adopted without objection. Additional housekeeping tasks were handled at the beginning of the session. The agenda was modified to place discussion regarding budgetary matters as the first order of business at Council III. Mr. Wedgeworth reported on the implementation of the 1982 Midwinter Meeting Council resolutions. And President Stone called for approval of the minutes of the 1982 Midwinter Meeting.

Carol A. Nemeyer, ALA president-elect, announced the nominees for the 1982–83 Council Committee on Committees and for the 1982–83 Planning and Budget Assembly. Additional nominations were accepted from the floor. Councilors were asked to vote during the next two days, and the results of the elections were to be announced at Council III.

President Stone gave the president's report, in which she summarized the variety of activities over which she presided as ALA's president. In a presentation illustrated by slides of color drawings, she described the various ways, during the past year, in which the nation was made aware of libraries and their role in American society. The achievements noted by the president included the establishment of a national logo for libraries, the issuance of a postal stamp commemorating libraries, and the publication of *Great Ideas: The Library Awareness Handbook* by ALA.

The report of the Equal Rights Amendment Task Force was the first item of business for Council I. The report was presented by the two task force cochairs, Kay Cassel and Alice Ihrig, and summarized the task force's activities in support of the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). These activities consisted predominantly of assisting and working with ALA chapters in states which had not ratified the ERA. The association and the ALA chapters were thanked for their cooperation and participation in the ERA campaign. The task force recommended that its work be continued by transferring the responsibility of monitoring future ERA activities to the ALA Committee on the Status of Women in Librarianship. Councilor Cynthia J. Johanson introduced a resolution to rescind ALA's boycott of nonratified states. In addition to rescinding the ERA boycott, the resolution reaffirmed ALA's continued support of the effort to gain Constitutional recognition of equal rights for women. The resolution was passed by Council.

Jane Anne Hannigan presented the report of the Policy Monitoring Committee to Council. The report was accepted after various items, which required further investigation, were set aside for action at Council III.

The Resolutions Committee and the Committee on Organization presented a joint report which included a resolution recommending a streamlined procedure for the preparation and acceptance of ALA memorial resolutions, tributes, and testimonials. Barbara Ford and Donald Wright, respective chairs of these committees, believe that the newly adopted procedures will allow the various kinds of formal recognition to be handled efficiently and equitably.

Jasper G. Schad presented the draft of the revised ALA Standards Manual which was placed before the Council for action at this conference.

Council I ended with the report of William D. North, president of the Freedom to Read Foundation, which outlined the broad spectrum of activities of that body. [*Cynthia J. Johanson*]

Council II

The second session of Council on Tuesday, July 13, began with a ceremony celebrating the first-day issue of the "America's Libraries" stamp. Among the distinguished guests were Carol A. Nemeyer, incoming ALA president; Robert Wedgeworth, executive director of ALA; Bradbury Thompson, the designer of this stamp as well as of the Library of Congress stamp; and "Ben Franklin" (Edmond J. Doherty, di-

rector or the Reading (Pa.) Public Library). After the presentation of the colors, the singing of the National Anthem, and the welcoming remarks by Keith Doms, director of the Free Public Library of Philadelphia, and Elizabeth Stone, outgoing ALA president, the guests were presented with commemorative albums of the new stamps. Audience members were given souvenir programs containing single stamps.

Council reconvened after a brief adjournment. Dr. Nemeyer presided over a session which proceeded smoothly with a minimum of friction and heated discussion. Before the business portion of the meeting, one member requested that Council make an effort to be more accessible to the rest of the membership. She suggested that they remain in the area after the meeting.

After retiring Council members were singled out for recognition, the first order of business was the adoption of the Operating Agreement between ALA and ALA divisions. An amendment to change the wording was defeated, and the original agreement was adopted as written.

Page Ackerman, chair of the Professional Ethics Committee, reported on the activities of that committee. She indicated that the professional code of ethics will be printed on the back of the membership cards in the future and that the committee was attempting to increase the public awareness of the ethical code of librarians. Additionally, the possibility of a workshop for either the Midwinter Meeting or an Annual Conference was mentioned.

Jay Fey-Stukas, chair of the ALA Awards Committee, presented that committee's report. He announced that the Ralph R. Shaw Award for Library Literature has been regretfully discontinued by its donor, Scarecrow Press, following the granting of the 1982 award. The proposal to establish the SRRT Coretta Scott King Award was accepted by Council. This award is designed to commemorate the life and works of Martin Luther King, Jr., and to honor Mrs. King for her courage and determination to continue the work for peace and world brotherhood. Annual awards will be given to a black author and a black illustrator (of children's or young adult books) who promote better understanding and appreciation of the culture and contributions of all peoples to the realization of the American dream. Also accepted as an official ALA award was the Gale Research Co. Financial Development Award, which will consist of a $2,500 cash award to be given to a library organization which exhibits meritorious achievement in carrying out a financial development project which secures new funding resources for a public or academic library.

In his executive director's report, Mr. Wedgeworth highlighted the progress of the new ALA headquarters at Huron Plaza with a slide presentation and a description of its financial status. He also called attention to the retirement of Donald Stewart of ALA's Publishing Services.

The rest of the meeting was mostly devoted to votes of approval on relatively noncontroversial items. Unanimous approval was given for ALA tributes to Jesse H. Shera, Archibald MacLeish, Luther Evans, and Mollie H. Lee. A resolution on the National Year of the Disabled was passed, as was the motion that ALA urge passage of state legislation for prisoners' right to read. Not so readily accepted was the endorsement of the national library symbol. Some discussion was necessary before the logo was officially approved.

A resolution submitted by Gerald R. Shields to establish an ad hoc committee to study the relationship of ALA chapters to division chapters and recommend the necessary constitutional changes by the 1983 Annual Conference was deferred to the Committee on Program Evaluation and Support (COPES).

During the course of the meeting it was announced that there were 12,655 individual registrations at this convention. The meeting adjourned one-half hour early. [*Elizabeth Traczewski* and *Cynthia J. Johanson*]

Council III

President Stone presided over the third meeting of Council, held on July 14, from 2 p.m. to approximately 5:30, in an extension of the previously scheduled time.

As the first order of business, Council discussed budgetary matters which had been postponed from earlier meetings. Primary among documents discussed was Mr. Wedgeworth's report to the Executive Board, proposing fiscal actions to be taken in order to eliminate the association's projected $178,000 budget deficit. The document was the result of recommendations from the Committee on Program Evaluation and Support (COPES) and a special staff planning group. Of greatest concern to Council was the proposed discontinuation of the Office for Library Outreach Services and the Office for Research. After considerable discussion, Council passed a resolution in support of the continuation of these two offices.

Council accepted the Asian-Pacific American Librarians Association as an ALA affiliate. This organization's stated purposes are to promote and encourage recruitment, education, and professional activities of Asian-Pacific librarians and to support library services to the Asian-Pacific library community.

The report of the Intellectual Freedom Committee was presented, and Council accepted the document, "Diversity in Collection Development: An Interpretation of the Bill of Rights." This document will replace the policy interpretation entitled "Racism, Sexism, and other -isms in Library Materials." Affirming the library's obligation to provide access to information on all subjects that meet the needs and interests of all persons in the community which the library services, the document concludes with the statement, "Librarians cannot justly permit their own preferences to limit their degree of tolerance in collection development, because freedom is indivisible."

Four items previously held for action from the report of the Policy Monitoring Committee were approved, as reworked, and accepted into the Policy Manual, as accurately reflecting the previous actions of Council.

In other actions, Council passed a resolution urging the restoration of Federal activities in gathering and disseminating Government statistics and approved a proposal to include councilors' voting records in *American Libraries,* instead of sending a separate mailing to membership. Chapter and personal contributions to the Washington office totaled $1,210.

Elected to the Committee on Committees were Margaret Chisholm, Ernest Di Mattia, Elizabeth Futas, and Gilbert W. McNamee. Elected to the Planning and Budget Assembly were Ellen Altman, Arthur Curley, Judy McDermott, Gail McGovern, James Matarazzo, Margaret Brown-Christ, Jo Ellen Flagg, Bonnie Beth Mitchell, Leon Raney, and Frank Turner.

Council then condidered items referred from Membership. Having already passed a similar resolution, Council endorsed Membership's action to continue the Office for Library Outreach Services and the Office for Research. It also endorsed Membership's resolution to support the concept of a nuclear freeze on the development and deployment of nuclear weapons and to urge libraries to make information available about the nuclear moratorium movement. Council endorsed that portion of a Membership resolution which reaffirms support for the Equal Rights Amendment and urges its passage in all state legislatures. [A previous Council resolution rescinded the boycott of nonratified states.] Regrettably, Council adjourned without taking action on a Membership resolution which would direct the ALA Washington office to work for the defeat of legislation which seeks to deny Federal funds to agencies referring for abortions, because of the threat thus posed to library access to abortion information.

President Stone received the warm thanks of the Council for her past year of service and leadership.

[*Judy C. McDermott*]

Miscellaneous Meetings

Black Caucus

The combined membership and program meeting of the Black Caucus of ALA was chaired by Doreitha R. Madden, New Jersey State Library, Trenton. After the reading of the Black Caucus Executive Board minutes and committee reports, the following newly elected officers were announced: Robert Wright, chair, University of Minnesota Libraries, Minneapolis; Barbara Williams Jenkins, chair-elect, South Carolina State Library, Columbia; Richard Griffin, secretary, Fayetteville State University Library, North Carolina; and Dorothy M. Haith, treasurer, Fort Valley State College Library, Georgia.

A resolution opposing the elimination of the Office for Library Outreach Services (OLOS) prepared by the Advisory Committee of OLOS was read before the membership. After much discussion, it was resolved that the Black Caucus would prepare a written statement of acceptance and endorsement of the resolution by July 15.

The Black Caucus presented awards for distinguished service to librarianship to Jean E. Coleman, director of the Office of Library Outreach Services, and Amanda S. Rudd, commissioner for the Chicago Library System.

The theme for the program was "Emerging Technologies: Implications for Minorities." Guest speaker Derrick Humphries, attorney with the firm of Brown and Finn, Washington, D.C., discussed new technology and software and the pending Cable Telecommunications Act of 1982 (S. 2172), which sets forth provisions governing cable telecommunications, and how it affects libraries.

Following extensive discussion, two resolutions were passed. The Black Caucus resolved, first, to send a letter of opposition to S. 2172 to the Senate Committee on Commerce and to urge the American Library Association to do the same, and, second, to form a task force on this issue. [*Sandra Long*]

PLA Metropolitan Libraries Section

"Gentrification: It's Happening in Your Neighborhood" was the topic of the July 13 program meeting of this section of the Public Library Association. "Branch libraries can be vehicles for generating dynamic interaction between diverse community groups," said Edmund Bacon, retired urban designer who spearheaded the inner city redevelopment movement in Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Bacon emphasized that "gentrification," the return of an educated, affluent class to the inner city, should not result in exorbitant property assessments and taxes which may contribute to the departure of the indigenous homeowners. Rather, he wants cities to encourage both groups to live harmoniously side by side.

There appears to be a lack of harmony, however, between those within the library system and some in the Philadelphia community. Percy Fields, executive vice president of the 19th and Fernon Community Action Group, spoke of annoyance with his branch's lack of holdings in African and black history. Mr. Fields feels that the branch did not meet the needs of the community, yet he also spoke of library cooperation with his organization's summer camp program.

Keith Doms, director of the Free Library of Philadelphia, stated that not only does the Free Library cooperate with local groups, but it also encourages their participation in the planning process.

[*Trellis Wright*]

Library History Round Table

Chair Doris C. Dale of Southern Illinois University opened the Monday, July 16, meeting of the Library History Round Table and proceeded to introduce the presiding officer, Norman Stevens of the University of Connecticut Library. Topic of the meeting was "Images of Librarianship: What Collecting Librariana Can Tell Us About Library History."

Dr. Stevens briefly discussed the popular views of librarians held by the general public and then introduced George Parks of Colgate University, who entertained the audience with a reading of the library poetry of poet Sam Walter Foss. One memorable line from the poem "Song of the Library Staff" states ". . . when librarians get together there is glee beyond control."

There was a brief panel discussion on the ways in which libraries, librarians, and librarianship are depicted in various popular media. The media portray this profession as being one of followers but not leaders. One of the panelists stated that librarians keep track of history but do not make it.

Raymond Tevis of Ball State University, using slides, showed how libraries and librarians are depicted in movies. Most films show librarians shelving books, which would be done by support staff. Overall, the image of librarians has not changed very much in the last 30 to 40 years.

Marjorie A. Markoff of Millersville State College used slides to show part of her collection of 2,000 post cards depicting libraries. Post cards of libraries (pre-1920s) have become collector's items, and the value of these cards has risen by 1,000 percent in the last five years. Post cards showing the local library were made for most cities and even small towns. Bill Wilkinson of the University of Maryland also showed some cards and read some of the humorous messages on the backs of the cards.

Although he did not attend, part of the postage stamp collection of John Henry Richter of the University of Michigan was shown. These commemorative postage stamps showed worldwide honor paid to librarians by the Vatican and by such countries as Poland and France. Mention was made of the Library of Congress commemorative stamp.

David C. Libbey of Southern Connecticut State College showed his collection of commemorative dinner plates showing libraries, including the Library of Congress.

Libraries in the 19th and early 20th centuries—especially the Library of Congress and Boston Public Library—were the object of widespread civic interest and pride. Stores in most cities sold souvenirs that showed the local library as an important part of the cultural life of the community.

Even though there is a strong interest in collecting librariana today, there is a change in public taste in that libraries are no longer the center of public attention, according to Dr. Stevens. [*Arnold Solomon*]

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